

1999 HOUSE GOVERNMENT AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

HB 1208


1999 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB 1208

House Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date 1-21-1999

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
1	X		39.9 - 51.3
3	X		13.8 - 17.1
Committee Clerk Signature 			

Minutes: Some of the individuals testifying submit written testimony. When noted please refer to it for more detailed information.

Representative Klein, Chairman of the GVA Committee opened the hearing on January 21, 1999.

Summary of the Bill: Relating to supervision of the International Peace Garden by the state parks and recreation department.

Testimony in Favor:

Representative Svein, Introduced the bill he sponsored to the committee and submitted a written testimony from Representative Boucher.

Doug Prchal, ND Parks and Recreation submitted a written which he read in it's entirety (**please refer to his testimony**). I think it's a good way to formalize this relationship between the Peace Garden and Parks & Rec.

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Sam Wegner, Superintendent of the ND State Historical Society stated that this would be a major cooperation. There's a need for this as a sister institution.

Testimony in Opposition: None.

Representative Klein, Closed the hearing on HB 1208.

Committee Action:

Representative Kroeber, Made a motion for a Do Pass.

Representative Hawked, Seconded the motion.

Motion Passes: Do Pass **14-0-1**.

Representative Kroeber, Is the carrier for the bill.

FISCAL NOTE

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Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1208 Amendment to: _____

Requested by Legislative Council _____ Date of Request: 1-8-99

- 1. Please estimate the fiscal impact (in dollar amounts) of the above measure for state general or special funds, counties, cities, and school districts.

Narrative: General funds in the amount of \$364,583 have been included in SB2021 under the Parks and Recreation recommended budget. No other fiscal impact will be noticed.

We do not anticipate any additional administrative support.

- 2. State fiscal effect in dollar amounts:

1997-99 Biennium		1999-2001 Biennium		2001-03 Biennium	
General Fund	Special Funds	General Fund	Special Funds	General Fund	Special Funds

Revenues: N/A N/A N/A

Expenditures:

- 3. What, if any, is the effect of this measure on the appropriation for your agency or department:

- a. For rest of 1997-99 biennium: None
- b. For the 1999-2001 biennium: None
- c. For the 2001-03 biennium: None

- 4. County, City, and School District fiscal effect in dollar amounts:

1997-99 Biennium			1999-2001 Biennium			2001-03 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts

N/A N/A N/A

If additional space is needed, attach a supplemental sheet.

Signed *Dorothy Streyle*

Typed Name DOROTHY STREYLE

Department ND PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Date Prepared: 1-11-99

Phone Number 701-328-5357

Date: 1-21-99

Roll Call Vote #: 1

1999 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 1208

House GOVERNMENT AND VETERANS AFFAIRS Committee

- Subcommittee on _____
- or
- Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken DO PASS

Motion Made By KROEBER Seconded By HAWKEN

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
CHAIRMAN KLEIN	✓		REP. WINRICH	✓	
VICE-CHAIR KLINISKE	✓				
REP. BREKKE	✓				
REP. CLEARY	✓				
REP. DEVLIN	✓				
REP. FAIRFIELD	✓				
REP. GORDER					
REP. GRANDE	✓				
REP. HAAS	✓				
REP. HAWKEN	✓				
REP. KLEMIN	✓				
REP. KROEBER	✓				
REP. METCALF	✓				
REP. THORESON	✓				

Total (Yes) 14 No 0

Absent 1

Floor Assignment KROEBER

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
January 22, 1999 7:39 a.m.

Module No: HR-14-0997
Carrier: Kroeber
Insert LC: . Title: .

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1208: Government and Veterans Affairs Committee (Rep. Klein, Chairman)
recommends **DO PASS** (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING).
HB 1208 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

1999 SENATE GOVERNMENT AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

HB 1208

1999 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB 1208

Senate Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date February 12, 1999

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
1		X	3700-4617
Committee Clerk Signature <i>James A. Raib</i>			

Minutes: CHAIRMAN KREBSBACH opened the hearing on HB 1208. Appearing before the committee was REPRESENTATIVE JERRY SVEEN, president of the International Peace Gardens. He indicated that presently the biennial appropriation for the International Peace Gardens is \$365,000. from the State of North Dakota. We have a budget for the biennium for about three to three and one-half million. It's a line item under the state's historical society. The historical society has no control over the peace gardens it is just a pass through vehicle for their appropriations. The check comes to them and they send it to us. Although the state historical society did not object to using them as the vehicle of passage we have the feeling that they were worried that the IPG line would equate to the legislators as a part of their budget, making it more difficult for them to seek additional funding. Mr. Prachl from the dept. of parks and recreation doesn't seem to worry about this. And it seems to make more sense, is more appropriate that we fit into parks and rec. It would be the same relationship as with the state historical society,

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Senate Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

Bill/Resolution Number HB 1208

Hearing Date February 12, 1999

merely a pass through vehicle. Doug Prchal has extended his hand to us and we appreciate it and perhaps we can help each other. We will still be independent. All we ask is that the check be forwarded on time. Also appearing before the committee was DOUG PRCHAL, Director of the North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department. A copy of his testimony in support of HB 1208 is attached. Written Testimony of Representative Merle Boucher, district 9, was submitted to the committee. A copy is attached. There was nothing further at this time so CHAIRMAN KREBSBACH closed the hearing on HB 1208. COMMITTEE ACTION: SENATOR THANE made a motion for a DO PASS on HB 1208, seconded by SENATOR W. STENEHJEM. ROLL CALL VOTE indicated 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT OR NOT VOTING. SENATOR KILZER will carry the bill.

Date: 2/12/99
Roll Call Vote #: ~~484223~~ 1208

1999 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO.

Senate GOVERNMENT AND VETERAN'S AFFAIRS Committee

Subcommittee on _____
or

Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number Do Pass

Action Taken _____

Motion Made By Senator Rhone Seconded By Senator Stenehjem

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
SENATOR KREBSBACH	✓				
SENATOR WARDNER	✓				
SENATOR KILZER	✓				
SENATOR STENEHJEM	✓				
SENATOR THANE	✓				
SENATOR DEMERS	✓				
SENATOR MUTZENBERGER	✓				

Total (Yes) 7 No 0

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Senator Kilzer

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
February 25, 1999 7:46 a.m.

Module No: SR-34-3504
Carrier: Kilzer
Insert LC: . Title: .

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1208: Government and Veterans Affairs Committee (Sen. Krebsbach, Chairman)
recommends **DO PASS** (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1208
was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

1999 TESTIMONY

HB 1208

TESTIMONY FOR HB 1208
Prepared by Representative Merle Boucher
Thursday - January 21, 1999

Chairman Klein and member of the Government and Veterans Affairs Committee, for the record I am Merle Boucher a member of the House of Representatives, representing District 9 which is Rolette County.

I am here today to offer my support to HB 1208. House Bill 1208 simply makes Parks and Recreation the trustee for the International Peace Gardens. Currently the Historical Society is the trustee. This transition puts the International Peace Garden under the trust of a more appropriate and practical domain.

Members of the Government and Veterans Affairs Committee I urge that you give HB 1208 a due process recommendation. Thank you.

**HOUSE BILL 1208
HOUSE GOVERNMENT AND VETERANS AFFAIRS
FORT UNION ROOM
THURSDAY JANUARY 21, 1999 - 10:00 AM**

Mr. Chairman and members of the House Government and Veterans Affairs Committee, I am Doug Prchal, Director of the North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department. I appear before you to provide testimony in support of HB 1208.

The bill before you transfers relationship responsibility from the State Historical Society to the Parks and Recreation Department. We supported the transfer proposed in 1997 and have been in discussion with the board and superintendent since. This change is a logical move given the similar functions of the Department and the Peace Garden.

A relationship has existed between the Peace Garden and Department for more than twenty years. It was not a formal one, rather one with common interest and willingness to share in experiences and resources. Lake Metigoshe State Park is a neighboring park facility to the Garden where the relationship happened and continues today. I served as a department representative on the planning committee during the mid to late 1980s and other department staff have worked with Garden staff previously. This bill will formalize the relationship that has been ongoing and department attitude is as positive toward that action as when it began.

The attached memorandum of agreement establishes the formal working relationship that has been discussed with the board, superintendent and department. We look forward to formalizing that agreement and wholeheartedly support the change and look forward to an ongoing relationship. I ask for a favorable vote on HB 1208.

**ADDENDUM TO AGREEMENT
GENERAL UNDERSTANDING OF ROLES AND RELATIONSHIP
BETWEEN
INTERNATIONAL PEACE GARDEN, INC.
AND
NORTH DAKOTA PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

Both parties have established a relationship through legislative language and Memorandum of Understanding. Those instruments establish the legal relationship and enable the allocation of North Dakota general fund dollars towards operations of the International Peace Garden.

For management purposes, a more defined role for each entity is outlined to clarify the relationship to establish lines of communication.

ROLES AND RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN PARTIES:

NORTH DAKOTA PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

- Allocate operation grant to Peace Garden per contract stipulation.
- Generally provide technical assistance on park operation and management issues as requested through director or field manager.
- Provide seasonal employee training at Lake Metigoshe State Park as coordinated through department field manager.
- Share park operation techniques with superintendent and provide the opportunity for superintendent to attend field meetings.
- Share equipment from Lake Metigoshe State Park as available and as scheduled through field manager.
- Attend scheduled board meetings held at the Peace Garden.
- Promote the Peace Garden at major state park sites.

INTERNATIONAL PEACE GARDEN

- Promote the state park system at the Peace Gardens.
- Share marketing information with department and co-op with purchases of similar souvenirs as requested by department.
- Coordinate with Lake Metigoshe State Park on training issues and general operation assistance of mutual benefit.
- Share equipment, as available, with Lake Metigoshe State Park and other sites as approved by superintendent.

**HOUSE BILL 1208
SENATE GOVERNMENT AND VETERANS AFFAIRS
MISSOURI RIVER ROOM
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1999 - 10:30 AM**

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